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A Thought From Pastor Wayne:

Do you know someone who is part of a motorcycle club? I have a few friends who ride motorcycles and have joined with other riders to go on trips and share motorcycle tips and wisdom. They love it!

For some reason that I do not completely understand, there is an intense comradery that exists among members of motorcycle clubs. You see it when complete strangers who ride the same kind of motorcycle greet each other like old friends and wave to one another as they pass on the road.

I realize that Christian faith is not as easily visible as riding a Harley (or audible, for that matter!). Still, I pray for the kind of comradery among Christians that bikers seem to share so readily.

But that raises a question in my mind: what should it "look" like for a person to be a follower of Christ and a covenant partner in a congregation? How do we recognize each other? And how does the world recognize us? The pursuit of this question will be the content of our sermons this fall, beginning on September 30.

By way of preview, consider this verse from Philipians, chapter 3...

"But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord ..."

I believe that the Apostle Paul would have answered the question with this verse. In the life of a Christian there is nothing more important than 'the sake of Christ.' This is how we are to be recognized.

Take a moment to consider the list of the highest priorities in your life today. Where is Jesus on that list? And what do you think the effect of that order of priorities has on the living of your life?

FOURTH ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC

The fourth annual R2E picnic will be Sept. 16 at Mt. Laurel Community Park, 1175 Piketown Rd.

We will begin with worship at 10:00 a.m. and enjoy the day with fellowship, food and fun. The Fellowship team will be providing hot dogs, hamburgers and drinks. Please sign up to bring a side dish or dessert. We are asking \$5/family this year.

As always, we will have a cake walk (sign-up sheet by the coffee) and bingo. We are in need of bingo prizes for ages 2-102. If you would like to donate a prize or two, there is a basket near the sign-up sheets. Please feel free to bring any games you would like to play.

Directions from R2E: From the church turn left onto Forest Hills Dr., then left onto Linglestown Rd. Turn left onto Piketown Rd. (at the traffic light at Central Dauphin HS). When you reach a "Y", turn left onto Piketown Rd. Follow Piketown Rd. until you reach the park.

Treasurer's Financial Update

Tithes & offerings received in July were \$12,050.
Building fund through July totals \$18,869.

ECO MEN'S RETREAT

This year's retreat will be at the Black Rock Retreat Center in Quarryville, PA, October 12-14. All men are invited to join us for a time of learning, worship, rest and recreation as we seek to grow in our relationship with Christ and with each other. Estimated cost for the weekend is \$200. Please see Pastor Lowe if you require a scholarship to attend.

More information and sign-up material will be in the Gathering Place.

HYMN FACTS

"This is My Father's World" is a familiar hymn we will be singing in September. It was written by Maltbie Babcock (1858-1901) and adapted to the tune "Terra Beata" composed by Franklin Sheppard (1852-1930). Rev. Babcock was an outstanding athlete, skilled musician and an enthusiastic outdoorsman. While being the pastor of Lockport Presbyterian Church in western New York, he would run and hike in the hills outside of town. He would tell his secretary as he went out the door "I'm going out to see my Father's world". It originally had 16 verses but we sign just three. The poem was published posthumously by his wife as part of his writing in a book titled *Thoughts for Everyday Living*. It was first published as a song by Sheppard in a 1915 Presbyterian Sunday School song book.

"He shines in all that's fair; In the rustling grass I hear him pass—He speaks to me ev-ry-where."

THANK YOU!

Thanks to all those responsible for Sunday morning snacks. They are always appreciated!

MISSION AND OUTREACH NEWS

2019 Mission Trip

Planning for our 2019 mission trip has begun. We are planning on going to Winchester, KY, from June 22nd through the 29th. This is geared toward youth; anyone 12 years and older may participate. Adults are also encouraged to participate (a background check is required for anyone 18 or older). This year we have a new request of our mission trip participants: **In order to register, there will be a cost of \$50. Please write your check to Road to Emmaus Church and put 'mission trip' in the memo line.** You can mail it to the church office or hand it to Pastor Lowe at church on Sundays. If this is a financial burden, please let the pastor know and an accommodation can be made. Early in 2019 there will be additional fundraising efforts to support the cost of the mission trip.

Beginner Guitar Lessons at R2E

These are free beginner lessons. (We won't be teaching Hendrix.) You have to register in advance at www.roadtoemmuas.church/guitar or in the Gathering Place. They will be offered for eight weeks on the following dates: 9/18, 9/25, 10/2, 10/9, 10/16, 10/23, 10/30 and 11/6. We will be using acoustic guitars. No electric guitars. There are a few guitars available to borrow for the lessons, but not to take home. If you would like some guidance in purchasing a guitar, we will be happy to help.

Annual Samaritan's Purse Shoebox mission

We will once again be participating in Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Ministry. This year we will pack 100 boxes. The Mission Committee is providing the boxes and the mailing labels. As a departure from last year, the congregation is being asked to provide the contents for each box. Detailed information on the desired contents will be forthcoming when we have the shoeboxes in hand. We will be planning a fellowship event around the packing of the boxes.

R2E BOOK CLUB

The book club will meet on Saturday, September 15, at 10am. The book for discussion is *Before We Were Yours* by Lisa Wingate.

SEPTEMBER Birthdays

Amy Azar	September 6th
Warren Silvers	September 9th
Donna Ryan	September 11th
Pastor Wayne Lowe	September 13th
Lora Lago	September 16th
Gwen Blinebury	September 16th
Gannon Ulrey	September 18th
Andree Lauffer	September 18th
Sadie Chapman	September 21st
Sue Black	September 23rd
Miranda Ulrey	September 23rd
Sally Young	September 24th
Kayla Wentz	September 26th

Music Opportunities

Music Fellowship - Bring your horn, clarinet, etc. Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

Guitar Gathering- 7:00 p.m. Wednesday evenings (9/18 through 11/6)

SEPTEMBER Adult Bible Studies

The following are weekly Bible studies available to all. Invite a friend and enjoy fellowship.

Sunday Study Group - Sundays after 9:30 worship.

Monday Morning Study Group - *Precept* with Ellen Carnahan at 9:30am

Tuesday Night Discussion Group— with Tom Chilcote at 7:00 p.m. Location to be announced.

Thursday Morning Discussion Group - 7:00 a.m. at Panera Bread (Paxton Towne Center).

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

Amanda Heineman

I have literally lived my whole life in Harrisburg in the same house. I am the first born of what was to become three children to Tom and Jill Heineman. For Easter a few months before my 3rd birthday, which happened to be the day Adam was born and that is a



whole different story, I received a pair of tiny white ballet slippers and a DVD entitled "A Fantasy Garden Ballet Class." I was obsessed with that DVD and did everything the "teacher" said to do. That December, my Dad took me to see the Nutcracker. I stood mesmerized looking between the seats (remember I'm not even 3.5 yrs old yet) at the stage of the Whitaker Center the entire show. Not much has really changed. I am still mesmerized as I watch ballets. I was enrolled in dance classes of ballet, tap and jazz at McCann's School of Dance in Hummelstown at the age of 6. I was home-schooled until I attended the Capital Area School for the Arts Charter High School. (I thank all of you who purchased Butter Braids this past year to help raise money for transportation to and from the airport for our European trip touring historic places of WWII and the Western Front. It was an awesome experience!) After exploring a possible career in musical theater, I decided that ballet was my first passion. My prospects of getting into a professional dance school were "slim to none" since I was not trained solely in ballet nor was I taking between 10-15 hours of ballet classes per week. My plan was to enroll in a pre-professional dance studio here in the area and finish my senior year at CASA but God had other plans. This past winter as I auditioned for summer intensive programs with professional ballet companies, The Rock School for Dance Education in Philadelphia accepted me into their summer and school year programs in their professional training division. It is a door I believe only God could open. I have a lot of work ahead of me and I am trusting that God has me where He wants me. I will be completing my senior year as a cyber student with Commonwealth Charter Academy while residing in Philadelphia and training with The Rock School. I thank all of you who pray for me and support my dream of preparing for a career as a professional ballet dancer. If anyone is interested in more information regarding my training at The Rock, please talk with my parents, they are my biggest fans!



SEPTEMBER 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 Morning Worship & Communion 9:30am	3 LABOR DAY	4 Ministry Team Meetings 7:00pm (Moved from Labor Day.)	5 Music Fellowship 7:00 pm	6 Thursday Morning Fellowship at Panera Bread 7:00am	7 Friday Faithful 10:30am	8
9 Morning Worship & Joyful Noise Offering 9:30am	10 Precept 9:30am Deacons 7:00pm	11	12 Music Fellowship 7:00 pm	13 Thursday Morning Fellowship at Panera Bread 7:00am	14 Friday Faithful 10:30am	15 R2E Book Club 10:00am (<i>Before We Were Yours</i> by Lisa Wingate)
16 Church Picnic! begins at 10:00am with Worship at Mt. Laurel Park	17 Precept 9:30am Session 7:00pm	18 Tuesday Night Fellowship w/Tom Chilcote 7:00pm Guitar Gathering 7:00pm	19 Music Fellowship 7:00 pm	20 Thursday Morning Fellowship at Panera Bread 7:00am	21 Friday Faithful 10:30am	22
23 Morning Worship 9:30am First Day of Sunday School!	24 Precept 9:30am	25 Tuesday Night Fellowship w/Tom Chilcote 7:00pm Guitar Gathering 7:00pm	26 Music Fellowship 7:00 pm	27 Thursday Morning Fellowship at Panera Bread 7:00am	28 Friday Faithful 10:30am Heritage Presbytery Gathering at White Clay Creek PC in Newark, DE	29 Presbytery Gathering Continues in Newark, DE

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Morning Worship 9:30am
Sunday School following



OCTOBER 2018

	1 Precept 9:30am Ministry Team Meetings 7:00pm	2 Tuesday Night Fellowship w/Tom Chilcote 7:00pm Guitar Gathering 7:00pm	3 Music Fellowship 7:00 pm	4 Thursday Morning Fellowship at Panera Bread 7:00am	5 Friday Faithful 10:30am	6
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THE NEW OFFICE PHONE NUMBER FOR R2E IS 717-545-1117